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House Committee on Redistricting 300 SW 10th Ave Topeka, KS 66612

To whom it may concern:

According to an article I read today in the "Lawrence Journal-World," the House is currently redistricting. Representatives in Lawrence have stated their desire to have five districts residing within the borders of Douglas County. My concern is that issues concerning Lawrence voters are usually different from those residing in the unincorporated areas and small cities of Douglas County. As a lifelong resident of Douglas County, I have observed a growing political divide between the Douglas County of Lawrence and the Douglas County outside of the Lawrence city limits. Those of us outside of Lawrence are already underrepresented at the county level, as Lawrence is home to most of our population. As a Eudora resident, I am concerned that redistricting efforts will result in the further marginalization of people and issues that are not a concern to Lawrence voters. My job is with the public, in addition to serving local civic organizations, and I can tell you first hand that many Douglas County voters share these concerns. Please do not allow the loud voice of Lawrence to continue overriding the voice of other Douglas Countians.

Your attention is appreciated

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